

## PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

## **Correspondence Received**

			The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:	
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
4.		Favor	Marie Rumsey	Letter included
			Masis Hagobian	
		Other	Genevieve M Clavreul	I'm surprised to see that one of the key recommendations from the BRCH is to form a special unit to oversee LAHSA and that unit report directly to the Board. I made the same recommendation over three years ago and I didn't need to empanel a blue ribbon task force to come to that conclusion. Additionally, I agree that LAHSA needs to be revamped but please make sure when this happens former LAHSA employees, especially from former LAHSA executives, aren't the ones that you tap to be involved in the revamp.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

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4.		Other	Ronald Stern	The Homeless Strategy Reassessment you are set to consider in Item #26 immediately operationalizes many of the goals of the Commission, and their omission from this motion is a detriment of both efforts and our collective efforts to improve how the County addresses homelessness. The BRCH report offers recommendations on how to advance strategically and collectively, but the Homeless Strategy Reassessment is already doing just that.  As such, we urge the Board to specifically name the Homeless Initiative as under consideration for elevation to the New County Entity and to formally center the HI in the development and implementation of the recommendations.  This is just one of the key changes that were recommended in a detailed letter signed by 61 organizations and sent to the Board on April 8, 2022. Broadly, these changes are:  Direct the CEO to study and report back within 60 days on the creation of a substantially strengthened Homeless Initiative - with the goal-setting authority, stronger budgetary and policy-decision making, and an expanded coordination and administrative role across all County programs that engage or impact people experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness. o Establish a Local Solutions Fund, and ensure that any use of funds includes performance metrics, accountability, and annual reporting, and does not reduce the current level of services provided by Measure H.  There is great value in the recommendations within the BRCH report - and it is worth advancing many of them today. As it currently stands, the motion sets up potentially many more months of conversations and studying and inaction while too many unhoused individuals suffer on our streets but the time to act is now.  Make the necessary changes to the BRCH motion so that it properly centers the leadership of HI and strategically aligns with the Strategy Framework. And do so on a timeline that speaks to the urgency that our housing and homelessnes crisis demands.	
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April 29, 2022

Laurene Weste

Mayor

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration

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Jason Gibbs Mayor Pro Tem Dear Chair Mitchell and Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors:

Marsha McLean Councilmember Subject: Item 4 – Motion to Implement the Recommendations of the Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness: SUPPORT

Bill Miranda Councilmember On behalf of the Santa Clarita City Council, I am writing to express support for Item 4, a motion to Implement the Recommendations of the Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness (BRCH), and urge you to support this item when it is heard on May 3, 2022.

Cameron Smyth Councilmember Following an extensive series of meetings, presentations, interviews, and listening sessions with stakeholders, subject matter experts, and community members over a six-month period, the BRCH has developed a comprehensive set of recommendations that will significantly enhance the transparency, inclusiveness, and accountability of Measure H funding and homelessness services.

In an effort to strengthen and build upon the BRCH recommendations, I respectfully ask that you add to the motion for Item 4 recommendations that (1) increase representation from cities across the committees mentioned in BRCH's recommendations and (2) allow for Measure H funding to be used for local initiatives, including the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Homeless Outreach Services Team (HOST).

The BRCH recommendations and additional aforementioned recommendations build a framework intended to promote collaboration and develop accelerated and effective deliverables that are better suited to meet the urgency and complexities of the homelessness crisis.



Lastly, I would be remiss if I did not express our appreciation for the BRCH commissioners and staff, who worked tirelessly the past six months to develop these recommendations and framework.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask that you pass Item 4, with the aforementioned additional recommendations, and implement the BRCH recommendations.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter. We look forward to working with your offices in implementing the BRCH recommendations to better support our homelessness service providers and those suffering from homelessness.

Should you or your staff require any additional information regarding this letter, please contact Masis Hagobian, Intergovernmental Relations Analyst, at (661) 255-4384 or <a href="mailto:mhagobian@santa-clarita.com">mhagobian@santa-clarita.com</a>.

Sincerely

Laurene Weste

Mayor

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From: **ExecutiveOffice** 

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Cc: **PublicComments** 

Subject: FW: Letter from Rolling Hills Estates re: BRCH Recommendations

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## The following correspondence is being forwarded to you for your review/information.

From: Lauren Pettit < laurenp@ci.rolling-hills-estates.ca.us>

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**Subject:** Letter from Rolling Hills Estates re: BRCH Recommendations

Good afternoon,

Attached please find a letter from Rolling Hills Estates in support of the BRCH recommendations to be voted on by the Board of Supervisors tomorrow, May 3.

Thank you,

Lauren Pettit

City Clerk/Executive Assistant

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May 2, 2022

The Honorable Board of Supervisors 500 W. Temple Street Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Support for the Motion to Implement the Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness' Recommendations

Dear Chair Mitchell and Supervisors,

On behalf of the City of Rolling Hills Estates, we write to express our support of the Motion to Implement the Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness' (BRCH) recommendations, and to encourage the County Board of Supervisors to consider amendments to the recommendations we believe will enhance how homelessness is addressed in Los Angeles County.

We commend the County Board of Supervisors for establishing BRCH to conduct a comprehensive study of Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority's (LAHSA) governance structure. We understand the extensive review process involved a rigorous examination of prior reports, recommendations, and challenges in the existing system, and the thorough work is clearly reflected in the seven recommendations BRCH unanimously approved. As a result, Rolling Hills Estates strongly supports the BRCH's recommendations, and applauds Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis for their leadership and the motion to adopt all seven recommendations.

In an effort to strengthen and build upon BCRH and the Board's work, Rolling Hills Estates requests that the Board considers three enhancements to the recommendations:

- 1. Increasing city leadership representation across all committees mentioned in BRCH's recommendations, including the single body that will consolidate the LAHSA Commission, Continuum of Care Board, and CES Policy Council Greater, as well as the Executive Level Action Team.
- 2. Allowing Measure H funding to be allocated to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Homeless Outreach Services Team (HOST), as well as cities with their own police departments that actively partner with the HOST team.
- 3. Amending the recommendation for the local solutions fund so that it clearly outlines how disadvantaged communities will be able to benefit from the fund and participate in its matching contributions program. By defining a process that waives disadvantaged communities' matching contribution, diversity, equity, and inclusion will be at the forefront of the program's mission and design.

We thank you for considering our suggestions on how to adjust the motion to further advance our shared goal of combatting the homeless crisis in Los Angeles County. Rolling Hills Estates is grateful for the County Board of Supervisors partnership developing solutions to regional issues, including homelessness, and we are confident the BRCH recommendations will provide a framework that effectively reshapes Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority's (LAHSA) governance structure.

Sincerely,

Frank V. Zerunyan

Mayor, City of Rolling Hills Estates

cc: Supervisor Hilda Solis, 1st District

Supervisor Holly Mitchell, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, 3rd District Supervisor Janice Hahn, 4th District Supervisor Kathryn Barger, 5th District